GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
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THEFT OF BREAK BLOCK
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that theft of brake block is a regular phenomenon in Mumbai Port Trust resulting in a heavy losses;

(b) if so, the quantum of such loss during each of the last three years; and

(c) the corrective steps being taken to avoid recurrence of such losses?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI SHIRPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) & (b): Presumably the Hon`ble Member is referring to theft of break bulk.In Mumbai Port Trust area, there have been stray incidences of pilferage/theft of break bulk and other cargoes during April, 1998 to March, 2001. The number and quantum of loss, year-wise, is given below: -

	1998-1999	1999-2000	2000-2001
1 Number of incidences of theft.	27	27	27
2 Value of goods stolen	Rs.19, 61,647	Rs.19, 56,085	Rs.6, 96,931
3 Value of goods recovered	Rs. 9,69,406	Rs.16, 47,006	Rs.4, 81,474

(c): Steps taken are round the clock manning of sensitive sheds/warehouses; deployment of special security staff in plain clothes; surprise checks on security staff and on incoming/outgoing cargo at gate; and random checks of deliveries of cargo by security staff.